

Office Hours
Mon & Wed 9 am - 4 pm
Tues & Thur. 9 am - 1 pm
Closed Fridays

OREGON TOWNSHIP NEWS

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Oregon Township
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Oregon Township Board: Supervisor, Jill K. Bristow; Clerk, H. Paul Spencer; Treasurer, Cheryl Rhein-O'Neill; Trustees, Wayne Barber & Phil Krynsinski

Assessor: Debra A. Krynsinski, Office hours Monday : 8:30 to 2:30 and Tuesday 8:30 to 11:30 or by appointment

Township Board Meeting: 2nd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Hall
Zoning Board of Appeals: 3rd Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Hall
Planning Commission: 4th Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. at the Township Hall

Oregon Township Website www.oregontownship.org

Oregon Township encourages our residents, and any agent working on their behalf, to visit our website, designed to provide as much Township information as possible. We will update our website continually, keeping Township information as current as possible. The website provides information regarding Township hours, public notices, meetings, tax information, burn permit information and election information and provides the ability to download many Township forms and other information that can be helpful. The Zoning Ordinance is available online. There are links to GLTA, Library, Police and Fire Departments. Visit these sites to see what is available. Like the Township on Facebook.

Road Work in the Township—The Township Board continues to work closely with the Road Commission in an effort to improve roads within our Township. Many factors delayed projects that were scheduled during the 2022-2023 fiscal year. Unexpected loss of State funding and historically high fuel prices impacted the Road Commission's budget in such a way that road projects were cancelled and/or postponed to be reconsidered under their 2023 budget. It is the Township's hope that 2023-2024 fiscal year will bring progress toward accomplishing our road goals. The Road Commission has established an "Assets Management" plan. They have provided each township with a map showing its road condition projections. The maps are available on the RC website as well as in our Township offices. If you have any questions or concerns, call or stop by our offices to talk with our Supervisor. She will be happy to sit down with you! Also, visit our website, under the Public Notices tab, for the "Lapeer County Road Commission Fact Sheet" to understand the many aspects of our Lapeer County public road system.

Burn Permit and Emergency Information

***Burn Permits - EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2023** residents in both the Lapeer City Fire Department district and the Marathon Area Fire Authority district will be issued a 2023 "annual" burn permit which will be effective from the date you request your burn permit through December 31, 2023. Burn permits will be issued online or by phone. There is no charge for a burn permit.

- Lapeer City Fire Department-www.lapeerburnpermit.com-810-664-0833, Mon.-Fri. 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Marathon Area Fire Authority-www.marathonwp.com -810-793-2002, Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Any burning ***without a burn permit*** is an ***unauthorized burn and may be subject to a penalty.***

***Penalties when ordinance is violated: \$250.00 for first violation, \$500.00 for the second and \$1000.00 for any violation thereafter.**

***Violations:** See Public Safety tab on Website

***Smart 911.com**—Protect The Ones You Love by creating a free Safety Profile at Smart911.com, which allows you to provide Police, Fire and EMS with lifesaving information during a crisis when every second counts.

***ICE Program - ICE stands for "in case of emergency"**. By creating an ICE entry in your cell phone "contacts", if there is an emergency, the police or EMS can immediately reach your family. You can add more than one ICE contact. For example: ICE 2, ICE-Wife or ICE-Husband.

Important Township Information

***Tax and Assessing Information** - Tax and assessing information is available on our website. This information is free for your property. You will be required to create a log on and password, then you may view or print your information.

***Credit Card Payments** - The Township accepts credit/debit card online or in the office for property taxes. There is a 3% convenience fee.

***Property Inspections** -To request a property inspection while you are away from home or to speak with a deputy, contact Central Dispatch at 667-0292 anytime.

***Storm Assistance**— Please call Central Dispatch at 667-0292 to report needs i.e.: warming shelters, food and water.

***Hall Rentals** - Rental of the Township Hall is currently suspended as necessary updates and remodeling are taking place. Please check our website and Facebook page for progress updates as they become available.

***Lions Club Glasses and Hearing Aid Box**—is located in the lobby at the Township Hall, if you would like to donate used items.

***White Drop Box** - Located in front of the Township Hall for dropping off items anytime after hours.

***Recycling** - Recycling is held at North Lapeer Recycling in Deerfield Township, please call 793-7557 for time and cost. You can check with your disposal company for curbside recycling costs. Rick Rhein Disposal offers curbside recycling to its customers at an additional cost.

*** Zoning and Building Permits** - may be obtained at Construction Code Authority located at 1075 Suncrest Dr., Lapeer MI. Phone (810) 667—0420

Lapeer District Library www.library.lapeer.org

Visit the website: For hours, to order or renew books, check out e-book, and manage your account.

Visit one of 7 locations for: 24/7 wireless access, public computers with internet, books and DVDs, Audio and MP3 books, educational programs, public meeting rooms, Notary Public services and more.

Voting Information:

Absent voter ballot applications are available on the Township website or by calling the Clerk's office. All voting will be held at Oregon Township hall. Want to work at a Township election? Election inspector applications are available on the Township website or by calling the Clerk's

Township Cemetery

Please contact the Township Clerk's Office for information on lot sales and burials at

Special Thanks to the Oregon Township Staff: Debra Krynsinski, Assessor; Jane Powell, Deputy Clerk; Dianne Baggett, Deputy Treasurer; Cheryl Place, Administrative Assistant; John Bristow Custodian/maintenance; and Sheriff's Deputies Jennifer Bell, Lindsay Vogt and Craig Ross.